GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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RURAL ELECTRIFICATION CORPORATION PROJECTS
HEMA GAMANG

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have reviewed the projects of Rural ElectrificationCorporation particularly for the electrification of the tribal districts in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details of fund granted during the last three years; and

(c) the number of blocks, villages benefited through this project during the said period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : The Government of India has constituted a Group of Ministers (GOM) to review the existing schemes relating to electrification of tribal villages, dalit bastis and benefiting other weaker sections and suggest modifications for accelerating the pace of rural electrification in the country.

(b) & (c) : The details of loan assistance sanctioned for projects in tribal areas and villages electrified (tribal) during the last three years under REC schemes are as under :

Year	Loan amount sanctioned (Rs. Lakhs)	Tribal Villages reported as electrified (Nos)
1997-98	528	179
1998-99	2864	162
1999-2000	1900 (ST loans)	250